IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1 to 13 and 15 to 21 as shown below.

1. (Currently Amended) A communication system having a first communication apparatus capable of a first speech communication via a first communication line and a second communication apparatus capable of a second speech communication via the first communication line or a second communication line, comprising:

first input speech means provided for the first communication apparatus for inputting performing the first speech communication information for communication via the first communication line; and

second input speech means provided for the second communication apparatus for inputting performing the second speech communication information for communication via the second communication line[[,]]:

wherein the communication information for communication via the first communication line is selectively switched between the communication information input from said first input means and the communication information input from said second input means, in accordance with a relation between the first and second communication apparatus

judging means for judging a connection status between the first communication apparatus and the second communication apparatus; and

switching means for switching a speech communication between the first speech communication via the first communication line by said first speech means and the second speech communication via the first communication line by said second speech means, in accordance with a judgment by said judging means.

- 2. (Currently Amended) A communication system according to claim 1, wherein the relation between the first and second communication apparatus is an electrical connection relation connection status judged by said judging means is an electrical connection status.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A communication system according to claim

 1, wherein the relation between the first and second communication apparatus is a physical connection relation connection status judged by said judging means is a physical connection status.

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4. (Currently Amended) A communication system according to claim 1, wherein when the relation between, in the case that the first and second communication apparatus takes a predetermined relation apparatuses are connected with each other while the first communication apparatus transmits the information input from said first input means performs the first speech communication via the first communication line by said first speech means, information input from said second input means is switched to be transmitted said switching means switches from the first speech communication via the

first communication line by said first speech means to the second speech communication via the first communication line by said second speech means.

1, wherein when the relation between, in the case that the first and second communication apparatus takes a predetermined relation apparatuses are disconnected with each other while the first second speech communication apparatus transmits the information input from said second input means via the first communication line by the second speech means is performed, information input from said first input means is switched to be transmitted said switching means switches from the second speech communication via the first communication line by the second speech means to the first speech communication via the first communication line by the first speech means.

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- 6. (Currently Amended) A communication system according to claim 1, further comprising supply means for supplying a power from the second communication apparatus to the first communication apparatus, in accordance with the relation connection status between the first and second communication apparatus.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A communication system according to claim 6, wherein said supply means supplies the power while the first communication apparatus does not perform the first speech communication.

8. (Currently Amended) A communication system according to claim 1, further comprising an echo canceler canceller provided for the second communication apparatus, said echo canceler canceller being used for the second communication via the second communication line, wherein if the first communication apparatus transmits information input from said second input means via the first communication line, the information input from said second input means is output to the first communication apparatus the second speech communication via the first communication line by said second speech means is performed via said echo canceler canceller.

9. (Currently Amended) A first communication apparatus used in a communication system having the first communication apparatus capable of a first speech communication via first communication line and a second communication apparatus capable of a second speech communication via the first communication line or a second communication line, the second communication apparatus being provided with second input speech means for inputting performing the second speech communication information for communication via the second communication line, the first communication apparatus comprising:

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first input speech means for inputting performing the first speech communication information for communication via the first communication line;

judging means for judging a relation connection status between the first and second communication apparatus apparatuses; and

switching means for selectively switching the communication information for communication from the first speech communication via the first communication line by said first speech means between to the second speech communication information input from said first input means and the communication information input from via the first communication line by said second speech means the second input means, in accordance with a judgement judgment by said judging means.

10. (Currently Amended) A first communication apparatus according to claim 9, wherein said judging means judges an electrical connection relation between the first and second communication apparatus the connection status judged by said judging means is an electrical connection status.

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- 11. (Currently Amended) A first communication apparatus according to claim 9, wherein said judging means judges a physical connection relation between the first and second communication apparatus the connection status judged by said judging means is a physical connection status.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A first communication apparatus according to claim 9, wherein when the relation between, in the case that the first and second communication apparatus takes a predetermined relation apparatuses are disconnected with each other while the first communication apparatus transmits the information input from said first input means performs the first speech communication via the first communication

line by said first speech means, said switching means switches so as to transmit information input from the second input means via the first communication line from first speech communication via the first communication line by said first speech means to the second speech communication via the first communication line by the second speech means.

claim 9, wherein when the relation between, in the case that the first and second communication apparatus takes a predetermined relation apparatuses are disconnected with each other while the first second speech communication apparatus transmits the information input from the second input means performs the second speech communication via the first communication line by said second speech means, said switching means switches so as to transmit information input from said first input means via the first communication line from second speech communication via the first communication line by said second speech means to the first speech communication via the first communication line by the first speech means.

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14. (Original) A first communication apparatus according to claim 9, further comprising supply means for supplying a power from the second communication apparatus to the first communication apparatus, in accordance with a judgement by said judging means.

- 15. (Currently Amended) A first communication apparatus according to claim 14, wherein said supply means supplies the power while the first communication apparatus does not perform the first speech communication.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A first communication apparatus according to claim 9, further comprising an echo canceler canceller provided for the second communication apparatus, said echo canceler canceller being used for the second communication via the second communication line, wherein if the first communication apparatus transmits information input from the second input means via the first communication line, the information input from the second input means is output to the first communication apparatus the second speech communication via the first communication line by the second speech means is performed via said echo canceler canceller.

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17. (Currently Amended) A second communication apparatus used in a communication system having a first communication apparatus capable of a first speech communication via first communication line and the second communication apparatus capable of a second speech communication via the first communication line or a second communication line, the first communication apparatus being provided with first input speech means for inputting performing the first speech communication information for communication via the first communication line, the second communication apparatus comprising:

second input speech means for inputting performing the second speech communication information for communication via the second communication line;

judging means for judging a relation connection status between the first and second communication apparatus apparatuses; and

output switching means for outputting information input from said second input means to the first communication apparatus switching from the first speech communication via the first communication line by said first speech means to the second speech communication via the first communication line by said second speech means, in accordance with a judgement judgment by said judging means.

18. (Currently Amended) A second communication apparatus according to claim 17, further comprising an echo canceler canceller being used for the second communication via the second communication line, wherein the information is output to the first communication apparatus the second speech communication via the first communication by said second speech means is performed via said echo canceler canceller.

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19. (Currently Amended) A control method for a communication system having a first communication apparatus capable of a first speech communication via a first communication line and a second communication apparatus capable of a second speech communication via the first communication line or a second communication line, the first communication apparatus having first input speech means for inputting performing the first speech communication information for communication via the first

communication line, and the second communication apparatus having second input speech means for inputting performing the second speech communication information for communication via the second communication line, the method comprising:

a judging step of judging a relation connection status between the first and second communication apparatus; and

a switching step of selectively switching the communication information for communication from the first speech communication via the first communication line by said first speech means between to the second speech communication information input from the first input means and the communication information input from via the first communication line by said second speech means the second input means, in accordance with a judgement judgment by said judging step.

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20. (Currently Amended) A control method for a first communication apparatus used in a communication system having the first communication apparatus capable of a first speech communication line and a second communication apparatus capable of a second speech communication via the first communication line or a second communication line, the first communication apparatus having first input speech means for input ting performing the first speech communication information for communication line, and the second communication apparatus having second input speech means for inputting performing the second second speech communication information for communication via the second communication line, the method comprising:

a judging step of judging a relation connection status between the first and second communication apparatus; and

a switching step of selectively switching the communication information for communication from the first speech communication via the first communication line by said first speech means between to the second speech communication information input from the first input means and the communication information input from via the first communication line by said second speech means the second input means, in accordance with a judgment judgment by said judging step.

communication apparatus used in a communication system having a first communication apparatus capable of a first speech communication via a first communication line and a second communication apparatus capable of a second speech communication via the first communication via the first communication line or a second communication line, the first communication apparatus having first input speech means for inputting performing the first speech communication information for communication via the first communication line, and the second communication apparatus having second input speech means for inputting performing the second speech communication information for communication via the second communication line, the method comprising:

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a judging step of judging a relation connection status between the first and second communication apparatus; and

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